FRIDAY ..... MARCH 15, 1878

WEATHER REPORT.

INDICATIONS FOR TO-DAY .- For the Middle States, rising barometer, brisk and high west to north winds, diminishing in force, and occasional rains, or in the northern portions snow, followed on Friday by gene rally colder and partly cloudy weather. For the South Atlantic and East Gulf States, rising barometer, northwest to northeast winds, stationary or lower temperature, and generally clear weather, except possibly rain-areas and high northerly winds

along the North Carolina coast. Cautionary signals are ordered for Sandy Hook, Barnegat, Atlantic City, Cape May, Norfolk, Cape Henry, Kitty Hawk, Cape Hatteras, and Cape Lookout,

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY Was clear and THERMOMETER YESTERDAY: 6 A. M., 52

9 A. M., 64; noon, 66; 3 P. M., 69; 6 P. M., 60; midnight, 46.

OFFICE OF THE BRIGHTHOPE RAILWAY CO., ? RICHMOND, VA., March 14, 1878. Gentlemen of the Committee on Light:

I have no complaint to make of you except for the discourtesy couched in proceedsay on the subject. I have been very careful to avoid person-

alties in my communications, and especially careful not to hold the Committee on Light in any way responsible for my action in declining to bid for the gas contract, and now I demand that courtesy to which I am entititled at your hands.

I addressed Mr. Higgins a communication January 12th, and, receiving no reply, called to see him in February, when he informed me that he would lay the letter before the committee to meet a few days later, request as to a mixed test, and that they could test mixtures without suggestions from me if they wished to. He neglected the usual business courtesy of answering my letter; he seemed to know what would be the action of the committee in advance. and by manner, though courteous in the extreme, plainly indicated that I could not expect his influence in any way. These were the unmistakable evidences that "our coals were not acceptable to the chairman of the Committee on Light."

statements furnished by the officers of the gas-works, which I believed injuriously affected the reputation of our coals, and could not be sustained, and not as to the action of the committee in letting the con-Very respectfully.

JAMES R. WERTH, Superintendent.

The River. Editors Dispatch: We hear a good deal of discussion and talk about appropriations for deepening the channel of James river for large vessels. It seems that at present a vessel drawing over fifteen feet of water cannot come into our harbor. It is proposed to deepen it so as to get seventeen feet, which seems about as much as we can reasonably expect for several years. To make our harbor a good and attractive export harbor we should have vessels drawing at least twenty two feet. Since we have not the water over the bars and ledges for these vessels, will you be kind enough to tell us what their remedies in a court of law. it would cost to introduce the canal system, as used in many other similar places, for lifting vessels of heavy burden over these difficulties? While it is not as all; and the success of it in other rivers could by this means bring in and take out | versed. from our harbor vessels drawing as much as twenty or perhaps twenty-two feet,

GAS AT THIRTY-FOUR CENTS PER! THOU-SAND FEET IN COLUMBUS .- The report of the superintendent of the gas-works at the Ohio penitentiary for 1877 says the "amount of gas consumed, as shown by small meters," was "12,963,700 feet." "The cost to the State in cash was \$4,418.45\, or 34 cents per 1,000 feet. Add to this the average price of convict-labor-viz., 70 cents per day, and the total cost is \$5,946.45\ -45.8 cents per 1,000 feet." "This cost," he says, "I think can still be reduced."

port city.

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It is well known that gas can be manufactured much cheaper in large works than in small ones.

This small establishment, with convictlabor, is producing a good article of gas at less than 46 cents per 1,000 feet, net, and hopes to reduce this, while our city works are struggling along trying to furnish us with gas at from \$2 to \$2.50 per 1,000 feet. Ohio State Journal.

NASBY CRIES FOR RELIEF .- To give us the releef we want, either the Government hez got to supply us silver, or let me carry out my projeck uy munissipal bankin. Either will do. But to leave it where it is is holler mockery; it's givin us a stun when we asked for bread. It's given us hope uv suthin when the realizasbun uv it is ez fur from uz ez ever. Wat good ez it to me to make silver leegle tender onless you per vide me with silver to tender? I ain't got no silver, and can't see how I am to git any. I want either a car-load uv silver distrib bited in the Corners, or I want onlimited munissipal bankin. One or the other is necessary to meet the wants uv men like myself, for wich all finanshel projeks are made. Men who hey the faculty uv workin, and to whom likker at statid and rapid intervals ain't a necessity, manage to git along without finanseerin. Ef they are agoin to finanseer for me, I want em to do suthir practicle. - Toledo Blade.

A gentleman suffering from gout was explaining to a friend that his doctor did not permit him to eat sweets, potatoes, fruits, farinaceous vegetables, ale, wine-Well," exclaimed the friend, "wby don't

you get another doctor?" The Burlington Hawkeye characteristically says: "If we are to have the silver dollar let us not mints matters, but proceed at once to put the coinage machinery in apple-pie order."

Iowa is tired of keeping a murderer's painful but not serious injuries. boarding-house, and has gone back to capital punishment again, Michigan and Rhode

Association to save trouble.

of that sort .- Picayune.

## DAILY DISPATCH.

VOL. LIII.

RICHMOND, VA., FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 15, 1878...

LOCAL MATTERS.

THE WEEKLY DISPATCH is issued this The Compremise Measure for Conmorning, and contains, besides telegraphic news from all parts of the world, full reports of the proceedings of Congress and the State Legislature; Governor Holliday's public-debt message; the new funding bill; a synopsis of the new criminal law; the 1812 pension law; Virginia and Washington correspondence; reports of the principal markets of the country; miscellaneous news, editorials, &c.

Put up in wrappers for mailing, 5 cents per copy. Single subscription, \$2 per annum; in clubs, \$1 per annum. Advertiscments at moderate rates for its large circulation.

MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE CHAM-BER OF COMMERCE.-A regular monthly meeting of the directors of the Chamber of Commerce was held yesterday evening. Present: E. O. Nölting, Esq., president, and Messrs. Blankenship, Baldwin, Crenshaw, Potts, Hill, Levy; Purcell, Logan, Rogers, Mayo, and Spotts. In consequence of the sickness of Captain Coghlan, Mr. J.

merce, reported a partially-revised tariff of charges for storage, commissions on sales of merchandise, weights, measures, &c.

The committee were allowed further time to perfect the report.

The committee were also authorized to have a number of copies of the tariff struck off for distribution, and in order to allow merchants and members of the Chamber to suggest still further revision.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Thomas Potts:

city of Memphis, Tenn.; therefore be it Resolved by the Richmond Chamber of

Commerce, That we most heartily approve of said Texas-Pacific railroad, and most representatives in Congress to aid in securing this very desirable highway to the Pacific. The resolution was unanimously adopted,

of the Chamber. The President laid before the Chamber a but that he could tell me in advance that number of documents received from vathe committee would decline to grant my rious quarters, and the secretary was au-

> The President laid before the Board a statement of the number of bales of cotton transported over the Richmond and Danville railroad for the year 1877, which was 59,940; for 1876, 46,250 bales; increase, 13,690.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

THE CASE OF STEARNS AND OTHERS VS. BECKHAM AND OTHERS .- This important and If Mr. Straus's resolution was published very interesting case, decided by the Su- of their readiness to make said exchange, I failed to see it; but as I had nothing to preme Court of Appeals on yesterday, grew say about your committee, but to thank you, out of a contract dated the 29th November, | they have deposited said bonds with such I do not see why you should deem it due to 1862, by which Franklin Stearns and the agent or agents as may be satisfactory to vourselves to publish it now. My remarks | late John Minor Botts claimed to have pur- | said board above named. about Mr. Higgins's preference for other chased of James A. Beckham, of the county s were made in connection with certain of Culpeper, his splendid landed estate called "Auburn," situate in that county, and some personal property, at the gross price of \$100,000, cash, payable in Confed-

The suit just ended was a bill filed by Stearns and the heirs of Mr. Botts against the heirs of Beckham to enforce the execution of the contract for the sale by having the title conveyed to them, they alleging payment of all the purchase-money. The defence, in the main, was that at the date of the contract Beckham was mentally incompetent to enter into a contract of such magnitude, and that it was procured and executed under such circumstances that a court of equity, according to the principles governing its jurisdiction, could not lend

The Circuit Court of Culpeper, at a spe cial term held by the Hon. G. A. Wingfield, decided for the defendants and dismissed the bill of the plaintiffs, leaving them to

The Court of Appeals affirmed the decree of the Circuit Court, the opinion being delivered by Judge Burks, and concurred in by Judges Anderson and Staples. Judges Moneure and Christian dissented, holding be better than not having these vessels at that it was a case for the specific performance of the contract, and that the decree of would show that it could be used here. We the Circuit Court ought therefore to be re-

The case is unusually interesting in its facts, embodied in a printed record of more which would of course greatly improve than five hundred pages, and elaborately Richmond's prospects as a trading and ex- and very ably discussed by the Judge in his opinion.

> DROWNED .- The body of Eliza Chalkley at the pleasure of the General Assembly, (colored), who had been missing since February 22d, and whose mysterious disappearance was annouced in the Dispatch, was regard to the bonds allowed to be funded held at Virginia Opera-House, and will be found vesterday morning in the dock near under the 2d section of this act, that one of the most brilliant they have ever found yesterday morning in the dock near Babcock's ice-house. Coroner Taylor was notified and held an inquest at 4 o'clock yesterday evening.

The fact was developed that the deceased, who was a woman of intemperate habits, and resided with her husband, Henry Chalkley, on Main street between Nineteenth and Twentieth streets, started to see beventeenth street, and had not been seen

Several parties stated that Henry Chalkwife. On being questioned by the Coroner that he had told some persons that he had found his wife because he was tired of per- of the Treasury in the execution of this act petually answering questions concerning except so far as the same be modified by her, and that he had told others because it the provisions of this act: Provided, That was an infirmity of human nature (particu- all parts of such bonds and certificates as

The jury, after hearing the testimony, rendered a verdict of death by drowning. custody a white boy about six years old, whom he states he found when the boy was very young. On the other hand, the woman, prior to her death, stated that the twenty-nine millions three hundred and child was given to her by a lady some years ago; but up to the time of the woman's thirty-eight cents, and also one million four death she had succeeded in keeping the secret of the child's parentage from her hus- hundred and forty-five dollars and twenband. It strikes the writer that the boy ought to be sent to one of the orphan asylums, or be properly cared for in some other way.

Yesterday morning two horses, with a wagon attached, ran off on Ninth street six dollars and thirty-eight cents among the near Bank. They continued down Ninth holders of the evidences of the public debt to the Basin bank, down the Basin bank to of the State the said board shall be careful Tenth, and up Tenth to the regimental armory, where they were stopped in their wild career. Considerable cord-wood, hay, hoop-poles, &c., were overturned on the Basin bank, and the vehicle was badly

horse, with buggy attached, ran off on Governor street near Ross. The buggy was badly broken up, and Mr. Rankin received

COMPOSITION OF THE VIRGINIA SENATE .-Island yet to hear from.—New York Mail.

Eccentric persons who propose to make their wills are advised by the New York World to leave the money direct to the Bar Association to save trouble.

Composition of the Virginia Senate, which adjourned last night, is composed of 14 lawyers, 16 farmers, 4 physicians, 4 merchants, 2 ministers, 1 iron manufacturer, 1 broker and insurance agent, and 1 politician. The religious creed of the Senate is as follows: Episcopa-It is said real good men are very scarce at lians, 13; Baptists, 13; Presbyterians, 9;

INFORMATION WANTED .- Postmaster

solidation of Public Debt.

THE PRESENT TAXATION STATED TO BE AS GREAT AS CAN BE BORNE-THREE PER CENTUM INTEREST FOR EIGHTEEN BONDS TO BE NON-TAXABLE-NO EX-OF CONSOLS DEPOSITED FOR FUNDING-THE GOVERNOR TO ISSUE HIS PROCLA-MATION INVITING THE BONDHOLDERS TO FUND.

of the General Assembly: them the entire excess of the public revenues derived from the present rate of taxation, after the most economical administration of the State government consistent with the efficiency of the public service; therefore

of Virginia, That the Governor is hereby authorized to cause to be exchanged, dollar for dollar, for the principal of each out 72 o'clock. standing bond of the State issued under the acts approved March 30, 1871, and March , 1872, a registered bond bearing interest for eighteen years and four per centum for thirty-two years until paid, and exempt, both principal and interest, from taxation by the State, or by any county or corporation therein, which shall be expressed on the face of the bond; the inter- renders it liable to be killed by a sharp frost January and July of each year, at the Treaof July, 1878, to be due and payable fifty years after date, but redeemable after ten vears at the pleasure of the General Assembly: Provided. That no exchange of bonds, as herein provided for, shall be made until the holders of not less than fifteen millions of the tax-receivable coupon bonds of the State shall have satisfied a board, consisting of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, together with the Attorney-General, and that for the purpose of said exchange

THE WEST VIRGINIA PORTION. The owners of any other interest-b ing bonds of the State, which are recognized by the Constitution and laws as legal, and which have not been funded under the aforementioned acts, may fund two thirds of the amount thereof, together with twothirds of the unpaid interest accrued thereon, up to the 1st day of July, 1871, in the bonds described in the first section of this act; and the said owners may receive for the remaining one third of the principal and interest a certificate that said amount is due and payable by the State of West Virginia, and that pay ment of the same has been apportioned to the said State of West Virginia, in part settlement of the liability of sald State for the debt of the Commonwealth of Virginia, as it was at the time of the contracting of the said debt: Provided, That no such three-percentum bonds, and no such certificates, shall be issued, as in this section provided, except and until the owner or owners, or his or their authorized agent, shall enter in a book to be kept for that purpose, and acknowledge before the Second Auditor, that he or they do release and forever quitclaim and discharge the Commonwealth of Virginia from all liability for said remaining one third, and it shall be the duty of the Sesuch entry and acknowledgement.

cond Auditor to countersign and preserve INTEREST-AND NOT VIRGINIA CERTIFICATES. 3. The Treasurer shall issue and register non-interest bearing certificates for the amount of the accrued and unpaid interest | dist churches. up to July 1st, 1878, upon all classes of the debt exchanged under this act to the parties entitled thereto, which shall be redeemable and to be so expressed on the face of the certificate: And provided further, in such non-interest bearing certificates shall be issued for two thirds only of the unpaid interest accrued thereupon between the 1st day of July, 1871, and the 1st day of July, 1878; and for the remaining one third, a certificate may be issued apportioning said amounts to the State of West Virginia, as in said second section is provided.

PRINTED, &C. 4. The rules prescribed in the act approved March 30, 1871, in respect to preparing, signing, and issuing the new bonds and certificates, regulating the same, and in taking in, cancelling, and registering the old bonds, shall be observed by the officers printed from a plate which shall be the property of the Commonwealth, and shall rests. remain in the keeping or under the confurther, That the whole amount of bonds so printed, or in any manner prepared, shall in no case exceed the amount of fifty thousand and twenty-six dollars and hundred and twenty-eight thousand two ty-five cents due to the literary funda total of thirty millions seven hundred and seventy-nine thousand and seventy-one dollars and sixty-three cents: Provided, That in the distribution of the twenty-nine millions three hundred and fifty thousand eight hundred and twentythe public creditors. FIDUCIARIES.

5. Executors, administrators, or others acting in a fiduciary capacity may make the exchange of bonds herein authorized, and the same shall be deemed a lawful invest-

PAYMENT OF INTEREST. 6. The Treasurer shall, upon the 1st days of January and July, 1879, and upon the same days in each year thereafter, pay to the holders thereof the semi-annual interest monwealth authorized to be issued by this

CANCELLATION OF BONDS. 7. All bonds retired or redeemed under this act, shall be cancelled by perforating and mutilating, and by the written cancel-lation of the Second Auditor across the face of the same in the presence of the commissioners of the sinking fund, who shall cause

give notice of the provisions of this act, into make the exchange herein provided.

ment. Messrs. Fowler and Johnston of Giles offered substitutes therefor. From these two the House took parts and adopted a preamble (Mr. Fowler's) and resolution instructing the Finance Committee to report a bill. The committee did so. Their bill proposed to pay 3 per cent. for 50 years. Mr. Bocock moved to amend by striking out 3 per cent. and inserting 3 per cent. for 18 years and 4 per cent. for 32 years. Mr. Barbour supported the proposition and it was carried by more than a two-thirds vote. Then Mr. Lacy moved to strike out the 9th section, which contained some of the objectionable features of the Barbour bill, and that was agreed to, and the bill was then

On Wednesday the Senate reached a vote on the passage of the bill. Sixteen senators voted for and thirteen against it. General Johnson raised the point that the bill required a constitutional majority-twentytwo votes. The President sustained the point. The vote by which the bill was defeated was then reconsidered. Thursday the bill was again put upon its passage and carried-ayes, 29; noes, 5.

BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS .- The Lenten services at the Catholic and Episcopal churches have been largely attended. The congregations at all of the churches have been full. The services and sermons are peculiarly appropriate to the Lenten season.

will meet at Odd-Fellows' Hall to-night at A gentleman of this city just returned

full of grain. brought the apricot and many of the peach, trees out into full bloom, and the tender fruit is just now in that condition which

est payable semi-annually, on the 1st days of or sleet, or a sudden snap of cold weather. The quantity of tobacco manufactured in ury, said bonds to be dated on the 1st day the Third district of Virginia during the year 1877 was 15,772,208 pounds, which is the smallest quantity in any year for the

> and there is not lacking a large number of widening Twenty-fifth street north of Venahunters to shoot them. The birds are in prime condition. Choice and prime butter very scarce and

grades in full supply and not in great de-The breaks of tobacco in Richmond in the fiscal year ending September 30, 1877,

was smaller in quantity than in any of the preceding years except the year 1874-'5. ery muddy from the late rains.

Henrico County Court this morning. Our citizens will be glad to know that the on Streets to fill Mr. Taylor's place. repairs on the Manchester side Mayo's bridge are being rapidly pushed forward. The Richmond side is complete. The sales of loose tobacco at Shockoe

warehouse amounted to 30,000 pounds; highest price, \$8. At the Patrons ware-

The British brig Sprite, Lewis master, cleared from the custom-house yesterday for Rio Grande do Sul with 611 barrels of flour, valued at \$4,070.64, shipped by the

completed. The dangerous hole on the west side of

lin is to be filled up. The funeral of Anthony Lyneman took place yesterday evening at 3 o'clock from St. Peter's Cathedral. The First Virginia

regiment of veterans turned out on the Religious services are being held nightly at Grace-Street Baptist and Trinity Metho-

of warrants await disposal. ·Invitations have been issued by the "Jeffersons" for their annual bal masque on the 19th of March. The entertainment will be held at Virginia Opera-House, and will be

given. A lady named Moore fell from a wagon on Main street near Ninth yesterday morning. She was attended by Drs. W. H. Taylor and Kemper, and afterwards sent home in the city ambulance.

John Wade, the lost boy referred to yesterday, has been committed to jail by Justice. Crutchfield. His parents cannot be found, and he will be sent back to Washington if not claimed in a few days. No clue has yet been obtained to the par-

ties who robbed the store of Horace Blackmur, at the corner of Twelfth and Cary streets, a few nights since.

The only arrest reported at the Second station house yesterday was that of Thomas Skinner for the larceny of a pair of shoes. The monotony of the times was diversified early yesterday morning by two streetfights-one at Fifth and Clay streets, and the other at Fifth and Cary streets. No ar-

The Richmond delegation to the meeting of the State Press Association speak in exalted terms of their reception and treat-

impetus. Everybody will take at the Theatre next week. 'There's millions in it."

A temperance meeting was held last night at Broad-Street Methodist church under the auspices of Shockoe Hill Division, Sons of

Temperance. Master Ralph Bingham had a large and well-pleased audience last night at the Clay-Street Baptist church.

soners were received yesterday at the penitentiary : William Mauck, one year, second offence, petit larceny; William Brackett, Mr. J. Monroe Kelly as clerk on Wednesto have restored the original equality of all nine years, house-breaking; John Hunter, day passed resolutions paying deserved tesfive years, for the same offence; Isham Hen- timony to the worth, industry, and intelliley, five years, for burglary; and John Epps, gence of that gentleman. alias Monkey John, eight years, for housebreaking.

cess Anne: Samuel West, four years; Ned John Bryant White, about eighteen years Wilson, eight years; George Simmons, five of age, who left the residence of Mrs. Flipyears; and Thomas Jones, one year. The pin, Fifth street, Manchester, on the 11th three first named were convicted of stealing, and the last of unlawful cutting.

then due upon each of the bonds of the Com-monwealth authorized to be issued by this washed by the freshet in November. It Bingham will give an exhibition at the contains some curious facts. The "members of his Majesty's Council of Virginia," o'clock in aid of the Sabbath school of that and "a list of the Representatives of Assembly for the several counties in Virginia." It is in the possession of Mr. Dan-ball of the Sabbath school of that church. Good music will be furnished and an attractive programme presented. The object is a most worthy one, and the church iel Bradford, of this city.

A special meeting of the Common Council was held yesterday afternoon in the Council Chamber under the following call: | country were given with regard to the suc-RICHMOND, March 12, 1878. Mr. E. C. Howard, City Clerk:

Please issue notices for a meeting of the Common Council on Thursday evening at 5 [Signed] M. L. STRAUS,

berlake, Whitlock, Wood, and Christian. The two newly-elected members, Messts. The General Assembly has now ad-Elijah Baker in place of Mr. Charles F. journed, leaving the law unchanged. Seve-Taylor, of Jefferson Ward, and E. D. Christian in place of Mr. George L. Chris-

clock by Mr. Higgins, and on his motion Mr. M. L. Straus was invited to preside. The joint resolution authorizing the City Engineer, under the direction of the Com-mittee on Grounds and Buildings, to enlarge, repair, and alter the present Hus-

tings Court-room, was, on motion of Mr. Higgins, taken up. On motion of Mr. Starke, Judge Christian, who was present, was invited to express his wishes on the subject of the pro-

Judge Christian said that he honed the Council would concur in the resolution. A tainly produce \$410,000 per annum. It was, day or two after his election Dr. Beale came however, never pushed. The liquor-dealto him and said that if the court-room was not altered and improved it would kill not altered and improved it would kill great interest in its fate, and when finally it him; that he believed Judge Guigon's death was offered in the Senate as a substitute for had been hastened by the illy-ventilated the amendments it received only a few votes, room in which he had to spend so much of while in the House it was dismissed with

Board joint resolution giving permission menagerie for one week for thirty dollars was taken up and concurred in.

and take up the Board of Aldermen resolutucky, Maryland, Illinois, Louisiana, Tention paying \$219 to M. C. Crowdis and \$36 to Charles J. Daniel for two parcels of land adoption of the system. conveyed to the city for the purpose of

ble, &c. Agreed to. Mr. Straus opposed taking the money from the contingent fund, as that fund in active demand. Off in color and low | could not afford it. Mr. Curtis argued in favor of the resolu-

The resolution was rejected-ayes, 10 noes 9-not two thirds.

presented and referred. Mr. Straus moved to adjourn. Lost. to elect a president, as he desired the appointment of a member in the Committee

Mr. Straus said that there were nine There was a lively little debate between

Mr. Higgins moved to suspended the rules and go into an election.

Mr. Straus appealed to the Council to con The work of putting down the new sewer | not press the matter, but wait until the next meeting.

Mr. Curtis assured the Council that unless the harmony of the body was disturbed by Mr. Straus himself there would be no cause for trouble.

Mr. Starke spoke in opposition to going into the election this afternoon. The question being taken on going into the election the vote resulted as follows:

AYES.—Messrs. Adams. Campbell, Curtis, Gregory, Hayes, Higgins, Manson, Metzger, Stokes, Whitlock, and Wood-11.

NOES.—Messrs. Baker, Ellett, Foster, Hargrove, Johnson, King, Oliver, Starke, Skinker, Straus, Timberlake, and Christian—12. So the Council declined to go into the

In all three of the selections by the orchestra there was a decided improvement noticeable. Their rendition- of "Heimceived marked evidence of approval from Ellyson & Yancey, 1112 Main street. the audience. The overture, "Il Turco in

judging from the very unusual quiet which pervaded the hall during the greater part of the solo, it would probably be a wise method of educating the loquacious to silence to introduce this little instrument at each performance.

It may be well to state that for the vehement demonstrations of a persistent few last evening another prohibited encore was permitted.

Tobacco Exchange yesterday were C. R. Coker, Quebec; L. E. Jonas, London; D. V. Arguimbau, New York; W. E. Morrison, Petersburg; J. J. Porter, Louisa; C. W. Price, Albemarle; R. Thornton, Halifax; Major W. T. Patton, Botetourt; William Bradley, Coalfield; J. W. Whitman, Chicago; William Wainwright, Montreal; William Turpin, Powhatan; J. F. Lacy, Goochland; Colonel J. H. Watson, Pittsylvania; H. M. Smith, Tazewell Courthouse and B. E. Timberlake, Orange. The three House committees served by

whereabouts. He came very recently from

A FINE ENTERTAINMENT .- Master Ralph Venable-Street Baptist church to-night at 8 will doubtless be crowded.

THE SYSTEM—IMPROVEMENT IN THE MACHINE. The Senate passed and sent to the House on Wednesday a number of amendments to the Moffett liquor law, intended to increase its

divided into two nearly equal and bitterly hostile parties. The opposition was not clock, to consider the resolutions adopted only active, it was violent and implacable. by the Board of Aldermen in relation to im- in the elections of November last the people in choosing their representatives sustained the law with unexpected unanimity. In Richmond the distinct issue was made, and the five delegates elected, it will not be the law. Here and there, there were men chosen to the General Assembly opposed to ver, Starke, Skinker, Stokes, Straus, Tim- to have become during the session dignified by the name of faction, much less of party.

The General Assembly has now adral of those who spoke against the amendments mentioned said that the law is now working very satisfactorily, and that there

estimate made by him and presented to the General Assembly a few weeks ago, indi-cated his belief that the register would realize per annum in the State between five and six hundred thousand dollars, or three or four times the amount brought into the treasury by the old license law.

As a substitute for the Moffett law, a committee representing the liquor-dealers of the State, at the beginning of the session, offered to the Legislature a plan of special license-taxes which they said would cerers themselves never seemed to take any out division. The testimony of members The resolution, as it came from the Board of the General Assembly is generally that of Aldermen, was concurred in-ayes, 20; the register is popular with the people, and that the liquor-dealers, patriotically conceding the good that it will do in belping to John O'Brian to exhibit his circus and the State pay her debt, have, except in occasional instances, ceased their enmity to it. There are propositions pending in the

States of Pennsylvania, New York, Kennessee, and before Congress, looking to the In the opinion of the State officials, the

her financial difficulties. The inventors (Messrs. Moffett and Dean) and the manufacturer (Mr. F. D. Johnson, of Culpeper) have improved and perfected the register, and it may now be considered nearly free from objections. It performs with greater accuracy the work required by the

SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS .- The following cases were disposed of yesterday: Barnett, &c., vs. Barnett, &c. From the Circuit Court of Madison. Partly reversed, Judge Moncure delivering the opinion of the Court.

Burch vs. Hardwick. From the Circuit Court of Lynchburg. Approved, Judge Staples delivering the opinion of the Court. Stearns, &c., vs. Beckham, &c. From the Circuit Court of Culpeper. Affirmed, Judge Burks delivering the opinion of the

POLICE COURT .- Acting-Justice Crutchfield disposed of the following cases yesterday:

Ann Thomas (colored) was fined \$2 for beating a child of Mrs. Bethel. reaches of the peace were discharged.

tion were disposed of: Elizabeth Jeter was fined \$5, Elizabeth James, Matt Head, John Hill, and James Garnett each \$2, for keeping unlicensed dogs. Charles Jacobs was fined \$2 for disorderly

conduct. Ten parties charged with ordinance violations were discharged, and the cases of as many others continued until to-day.

IMPROVING .- Mr. J. C. Donnelly, of Charleston, W. Va., who was so badly injured by the recent railroad accident, is comfortably quartered at the Retreat for the Sick, and is rapidly improving.

web," by Jungman, was very fine, and re- Memphis and New Orleans, is to hand from [Communicated.]

Ladies will not fail to attend the first

pening of the Paris Millinery Company's

French bonnets and hats this day at their

elegant rooms over Levy Brothers'. MANCHESTER AND VICINITY.

The County Court .- Lawson Burfoot (colored) was convicted of entering a store tentiary for five years. Alexander Condrey was convicted of assault and battery on Mrs. Phobe Corstley

lischarged after one day's imprisonment on account of his family's condition. The court adjourned for the term last The grand jury returned fifteen true bills and five not true bills. This is good work

David Lockett and Agnes Watkins charged with unlawful cohabitation. Tried and acquitted. George Woodby and Bradking Johnson charged with breaking into Calvin Lipscomb's barn and stealing wheat. Tried and

acquitted. James A. Morrissett, charged with obtaining money under false pretences. Nolle prosequi entered. James Blair, charged with stealing honey. Continued to June term.

Commonwealth vs. Pleasant Randall, charged stealing a hog. Not a true bill. Commonwealth vs. Nicholas Brockwell, charged with shooting stock. Not a true Commonwealth vs. Archer Volly, charged

with stealing corn. Not a true bill. The following is the official report of the Moffett register for February: First o'clock in aid of the Sabbath school of that district-Manchester, Bermuda, and Midlothian- \$178.03; Second-Dale, Clover Hill, and Matoaca- \$118.85. Total, \$296.88. Large quantity of civil cases were dis-

liam Henley, for one year, for felonious as-Mr. Flournoy did not have any guard,

but brought the prisoners down and de-livered them to Colonel Swann without as-

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JAS. MACDOUGALL, 10 A. M., large sale of fruit-trees, plants, evergreens, &c., at 1422 Main street.

ings on the east side of Twenty-fourth street be-tween M and N. CHAFFIN, STAPLES & CO., commissioner's sale of framed dwellings and lots on the northwest corner of Second and Canal streets. W. GODDIN, 12 M., commissioners' sale of a farm the River road ten miles west of Richm

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Election May, 1878. Subject to the nomination of the Conservative arty.

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watering-places this season. Come to think | Methodist, 6; Lutherans, 1; and Freethinkof it, there is no place overcrowded by men ers, 1.

P. Rogers acted as secretary. Mr. Hill, from the Committee on Com-

Whereas we learn that the Committee on ings published in this morning's paper. I the Pacific Railroad, both in the Senate and will be obliged to you to state to the public | the House of Representatives, have reportnow that your committee arrived at their ed a bill approving of the Texas-Pacific conclusion without hearing what I had to railroad, with its connections on the Mississippi river not further north than the

> spectfully request our senators and reand the secretary was instructed to notify the senators and representatives of the action

thorized to acknowledge the reception of the same.

its aid to enforce it.

FOUND IN THE DOCK-ACCIDENTALLY

her mother, who lived on Cary street near THE PLATE FROM WHICH BONDS ARE TO BE until her body was yesterday recovered. ley had told them that he had found his in reference to the matter, Chalkley stated

larly of his) not to be able always to tell the may be necessary to be printed shall be truth. The husband of the deceased has in his trol of the Second Auditor: And provided

A COUPLE OF RUNAWAYS-ACCIDENT .-

broken up. Yesterday evening Mr. John Rankin's

THE NEW FUNDING BILL.

The following bill has passed both houses Whereas this General Assembly has expressed the belief that the present rate of taxation.is as high as can be borne without destroying, or at least greatly impairing, the industrial interests and recuperative power of the State; and whereas the present General Assembly was elected with especial reference to a readjustment of the public debt of the State, so that the interest may be punctually paid alike on all classes of it without an increase of the rate or aggregate of taxation. so that said readjustment may be satisfactory and final, and public agitation of the subject may cease; and whereas the General Assembly, recognizing its duty first to preserve and ensure the continued existence of the State, including the public freechool system, is willing and anxious to restore the former equality of all of the public creditors by distributing ratably among

1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly

ment.

Mr. Ficklen, upon the defeat of the Barbour bill, after conference with a number of YEARS; FOUR FOR THIRTY-TWO-THE gentlemen, introduced a resolution looking

viting all the holders of Virginia securities 10. This act shall be in force from its pas-

The origin of this bill was as follows

to the appointment of a commission of eminent Virginians to confer with the bondholders with the view of effecting a settle-

perfected and subsequently passed.

The sub-committee of the Odd-Fellows' Widows' and Orphans' Relief Association

from Europe gives a very discouraging account of the leaf-tobacco market there, and at the rate of three per centum per annum he says that in England the granaries are The late very mild spell of weather has

> last seven. Robins are making their appearance in large numbers near and around the city.

The river is considerably swollen and The criminal docket will be called in

house 6,660 pounds were sold; highest price, \$6.25. The amount of United States internal revenue collected yesterday was \$5,157.54. The Richmond Liquor-Dealers' Association meets at Sauer's hall this evening at 31 Messrs. Straus, Curtis, Higgins, Stokes, and

Haxall-Crenshaw Company. at Seventeenth and Franklin streets has been Fourteenth street between Main and Frank-

Justice Crutchfield will call the civil docket at 12 o'clock M. to-day. A number

ment in the Cockade City. The insurance business has received a

PRISONERS RECEIVED .- The following pri-

The following were received from Prin-AN ANCIENT RELIC. - An almanac, print Nottoway county.

THE FIRE LAST NIGHT .- About 9 o'clock last night an alarm of fire was turned in at rar delivered one of his highly-interesting Somebody having announced that John Morrissey is low, the Chicago Times says it believes he is also high, Jack, and game.

It is more blessed to give than to receive, but it's not so popular.—St. Louis Journal.

INFORMATION WANTED.—Postmaster stoners of the sinking fund, who shall is sinking announced that John Morrissey is low, the Chicago Times says it believes has received letters making inquistressing the bonds so cancelled to be filed by the post of the sinking fund, who shall is sinking announced that John Morrissey is low, the Chicago Times says it believes has received letters making inquistressing the bonds so cancelled to be filed by the forbest has received letters making inquistressing the bonds so cancelled to be filed by the forbest has received letters making inquistressing the bonds so cancelled to be filed by the forbest has received letters making inquistressing the bonds so cancelled to be filed by the forbest has received letters making inquistressing the bonds so cancelled to be station 4. Third police district headquarties, caused by the partial burning of an unoccupied house on Brook avenue belonging the number and amount thereof.

Morrissey is low, the Chicago Times says it for the present address of the sinking fund, who shall the bonds so cancelled to be depository, and shall treasurer in a suitable depositor

THE COMMON COUNCIL.

AND IMPROVED-A TILT BETWEEN COUN-CILMEN-A PROPOSITION TO GO INTO

provement of the Hustings Court-room and the license to be granted O'Brian's circus. JOHN M. HIGGINS, H. METZGER. Present at roll-call: Messrs Adams, Baker, Curtis, Ellett, Gregory, Hargrove, Higgins, Johnson, King, Manson, Metzger, Oli- the system, but they were so few as never

tian, of Clay Ward, appeared in their seats. The body was called to order at 5:10

posed improvement.

Mr. Curtis moved to suspend the rules

A number of bills, resolutions, &c., were

members absent, and he thought it would be very unjust to those gentlemen to now go into an election for a president. He felt satisfied that if the absentees bad the least idea that a president was to be elected they would have been present. It was a very important matter-the selection of a president-and he hoped the matter would be postponed until the next regular meeting.

tinue the harmony that has for so long characterized the meetings of the Council, and

election. Adjourned. THE MOZART LAST NIGHT .- There was a large audience at the Virginia Opera-House on the occasion of the ninety-sixth musicale of the Mozart Association.

Italia," by Rossini, and "Winter's Night Dream" waltzes, by Herrmann, were also well given. Mr. L. B. Bishop, of Boston, sang with taste two love ballads, in both of which he was most kindly received. Mr. Kessnich played a beautiful violin solo, and Mr. Luerssen, on the zitter, a pot-pourri of his own arrangement. The marked attention during this last performance was a decided compliment to the performer, and,

PERSONAL .- Among the visitors to the

A MISSING MAY .- The police of the city have been requested to keep a lookout for instant, and has not been heard of since by his friends, who are anxious as to his

JUDGE FARRAR'S LECTURE.-Judge Far-

NO. 64. THE MOFFETT REGISTER—THE SUCCESS OF

efficiency and to prevent evasions and vio-lations, but they reached the House too late. THE ELECTION OF PRESIDENT DEFEAT- Dr. Moffett was compelled to consent that they be laid on the table, and there they died, with a number of other bills and resolutions which failed for the want of time. During the discussion, however, encouraging reports from nearly all sections of the

cess of the register.

A year ago, when the system was first proposed, the members of the Legislature were forgotten, were all outspoken advocates of

was no reason to alter it. The Auditor of Public Accounts, in the

register being sustained by popular sentiment and nearly all the newspapers of the State, it only remains with the police authorities to vigorously enforce the penalties for evasions and violations to make the register the great lever to raise the State out of

law, and it is barely possible to tamper or interfere with its operation. The case in which the machine is enclosed has been also perfected.

Charles Betts was sent to jail for thirty lays in default of security for drunkenness. Seven parties charged with minor The following cases of ordinance viola-

FRANK LESLIE'S ILLUSTRATED NEWSPAPER with illustrated accounts of Mardi-Gras at

near Halfway station and sent to the penand fined \$5 and costs. James Capron (case noted yesterday) was

for a grand jury to do in one day after examining nearly fifty to seventy-five witnesses. William Henley, charged with maliciously striking William Spears with a powder-can at Granite. Tried; one year in the penitentiary.

Commonwealth vs. David Lockett and Agnes Watkins, charged with adultery. Not a true bill.

posed of.

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C. H. PAGE.

Prisoners Delivered.—Sheriff Flournoy yesterday brought to the penitentiary Lawson Burfoot, sent to the penitentiary from Chesterfield county for five years, and Wil-